



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/17/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:35 AM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

CCLC-48713

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/17/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
02/20/2018	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing

Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient.

Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.

Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A1-1st Left	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C-3L	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D-1st Right	One Year Olds	2	12	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	F-3R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	16	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 63						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 45			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 63			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Main	7	C
Main	Toddler	23	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and follow-up to the previous visit on February 20, 2018.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at <http://gbi.georgia.gov> to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.al.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.al.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov

April Rogers, Program Official

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2018

Corrected on 5/17/2018

Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. All tables and chairs observed to be age appropriate for children in care.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR) **Met**

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) **Met**

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Met**

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2018

Corrected on 5/17/2018

Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. All hard surfaces have been removed from the playgrounds. No tripping hazards were present on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/28/2018

Corrected on 5/17/2018

Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. No hazards were present on the playground.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.10(1) requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that are renovated after March 1, 1991, to provide ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. It was determined based on consultant's observation that in classroom A (infant room), the window used for ventilation did not have a screen for ventilation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will add a screen to the window used for ventilation or install an exhaust fan above the diaper changing area.

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2018

Recited on 5/17/2018

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

Comment

Director stated that the center is not currently administering medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 03/01/2018

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 12/18/2017

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 02/20/2018	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 02/20/2018	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/04/2016	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 03/01/2018	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/07/2017	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 02/20/2018	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 11/13/2017	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 01/15/2018	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Met**

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) **Met**

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) **Met**

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR) **Met**

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.